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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SUMIKAWA, et al. Conf.: 2465
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

February 19, 2003

Sir:

This is a Second Reply to the Final Office Action mailed December 19, 2002. A Petition for a two (2) month extension of time is included.

A Reply After Final was submitted on December 19, 2002.

In an Advisory Action dated January 23, 2003, the Examiner stated that the Request for Reconsideration was considered. Also, in Section 7 of the Advisory Action, box 7 was checked, and it is assumed that the previous Reply will be entered as there were no amendments in that Reply.

The present Reply is to respond to certain statements made in the Advisory Action regarding the base reference to Toyosawa.

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For the convenience of the Examiner, enclosed is Attachment A. On the first page of Attachment A, a comparison of the present claims and the base reference are set forth. Also, on pages 2 and 3 is a description of the portion identified by asterisk in the table on page 1.

This further evidence has been provided to illustrate that Toyosawa's does not suggest what has been claimed.

CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Elliot A. Goldberg (Reg. No. 33,347) at the telephone number of (703) 205-8000, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for a two (2) month extension of time for filing a reply in connection with the present application, and the required fee of \$410.00 is attached hereto.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully Submitted,

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